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It has been many a day since Washington has seen such a sale as this big purchase of Suits makes possible. We told you how we secured the entire season's sample lines of Women's High-class Tailored Suits from three of New York's well known makers, and it is one of the most important purchases we have ever made. The price concession was immense. The superior styles are easily the finest the season has produced. These beautiful and stylish suits are in broadcloth, imported chevots, dark mixed effects, worsteds, herringbone chevots; colors are blue, gray tones, brown, black—all the stylish shades and effects. Styles are many and handsome, and are all new and exclusive. There are over 500 of the suits all told, and we have put them into three big lots at these wonderfully attractive prices—

LOT ONE Over 200 of the prettiest and most attractively designed Suits ever shown in Washington—embracing Suits in finest and most serviceable materials—serges, diagonal weaves, broadcloths, mixtures; black, navy blue and all the stylish mixtures and gray tones; all late and beautiful styles, perfectly tailored and with finest linings; not a Suit in this lot is worth less than \$25, many worth more—the greatest Suit bargain ever offered at..... **\$15**

LOT TWO In this great collection of Suits you'll find many priced at \$39.50 and \$42.50—Suits beautifully tailored of finest heavy broadcloth, rough weaves of many styles, wide-wale serges, finest imported worsteds. These Suits are all man-tailored in every detail and particular; the linings are of the best and there's a wide range of styles and kinds—full line of colors and all sizes; you have the chance to buy these exquisite Suits in this great sale at..... **\$22.75**

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The Record Pre-Holiday Selling Brings You Bargains Galore!

We've gone through the entire stock of Men's Clothing, and where the selling has depleted quantities, given us broken lines, few of a kind, odds and ends—all have been placed together for a gigantic clearance tomorrow. The broken lines are mostly in the higher grades, thus making it possible to buy a fine Suit or Overcoat for the price you'd pay usually for a cheap one. Read the big clear-up news—

60 MEN'S SUITS, TAILORED ELEGANTLY AND up to the very moment in the winter styles and effects; all sizes, 35 to 44, in one lot or another. Every suit is right from the regular \$22.50 lines. Our price for clearance..... **\$14.75**
74 MEN'S HIGH-GRADE SUITS, ALL FINELY tailored and most desirable; in these lots are the suits we have been selling at \$25 and \$27.50, all sizes can be had in one style or another—and all to \$20 at..... **\$17.75**
40 MEN'S SUITS IN THE HIGHEST GRADES, such Suits as we are selling at \$30 right along; all sizes are included in one lot or another, 35 to 44. These Suits are the equal of any custom tailor's \$40 production, and for clearance yours at..... **\$22.75**
LOT OF ABOUT 10 MEN'S OVERCOATS, IN SIZES 34, 35, 36 and 41; all new and up-to-date styles; perfectly tailored, and none of them selling under \$12.50. Special price for this close-out sale..... **\$4.75**
LOT OF 8 MEN'S STORM OVERCOATS—JUST THE thing for the wintry weather ahead; the sizes are 36, 37, 40 and 44. These Storm Coats sold usually at \$10. For this clearance sale..... **\$4.75**
LOT OF 26 MEN'S OVERCOATS, IN SIZES 36, 37, 38 and 40; including all the latest cuts and up to the moment in styles; these are the coats we've been selling regularly at \$22.50. You get a rare bargain with the price at..... **\$14.75**
50 PAIRS OF MEN'S FINE BLACK THREB TROUSERS, in all sizes; very desirable for dress or business; have been selling right along at \$3.50; they are to be closed out tomorrow at..... **\$2.50**
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MEN'S FANCY VESTS, IN A great variety of new and attractive styles; all new shades. Sold up to \$2.50 regularly. They go on sale—22 dozen of them—at..... **\$1.25**
10 DOZEN MEN'S FANCY Vests, all handsome new styles in the very latest effects; all colors. These stylish Vests sell up to \$4 usually. Special price..... **\$1.95**
64 MEN'S FINE WHITE P. K. FULL Dress Vests, in sizes 40 to 44; the correct cut and plenty of all sizes. Value is \$2.50. They are to be sacrificed at..... **50c**

Quick Clearance BOYS' WEAR.

63 BOYS' DOUBLE-BREADED Knickerbocker Suits; sizes 8 to 16 years. All \$3 value. Now..... **\$1.95**
60 BOYS' DOUBLE-BREADED Knickerbocker Suits; all sizes included. Sell at \$5. To close..... **\$3.95**
28 CHILDREN'S RUSSIAN BLOUSE Suits, in sizes 2½ to 8 years. These Suits sell at \$5. They are to be closed out at..... **\$1.45**
16 CHILDREN'S RUSSIAN BLOUSE Suits, in sizes 2½ to 8 years. These fine Suits sell up to \$4.98. To be closed out at..... **\$3.45**
22 CHILDREN'S RUSSIAN OVERCOATS, 2½ to 10 years. Value is \$2.50. Special price..... **\$1.45**
17 CHILDREN'S RUSSIAN OVERCOATS, 2½ to 10 years. Value is \$2.50. Special price..... **\$2.95**
42 BOYS' DOUBLE-BREADED Russian and Russian Overcoats; 2½ to 12 years. Sell at \$7. To close..... **\$4.95**
5 BOYS' SCHOOL OVERCOATS, sizes 6, 7, 10 and 16 years. Sold at \$3. To close out..... **\$1.00**
26 BOYS' SCHOOL OVERCOATS, with the convertible collar; 8 to 16 years. Sell at \$5. To close out..... **\$3.95**
34 BOYS' 50c KNEE PANTS (WOOL AND corduroy)..... **39c**
66 BOYS' \$1.49 KNEE PANTS (WOOL AND corduroy)..... **98c**
52 BOYS' 25c BLOUSE WAISTS..... **15c**

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14½c Blocks, Iron Toys, Toy Furniture, Tool Chests, Books, Games, Iron Wagons, Dolls.
Worth up to 35c.

An Extensive Variety of the Most Popular 25c Games, Blocks, Dolls, Books, Wagons, all to be sacrificed tomorrow at..... **5c**

Small Lots in Misses' and Girls' Wear.

IN THIS ODDS-AND-ENDS SALE YOU CAN buy any Misses' Tailored Suit in the store that sold at \$25 at \$15! And you pick from a large variety of attractive styles and models—all materials and a good range of colors..... **\$15**
21 CHILDREN'S FINEST WHITE BEARSKIN Coats, in the snowdrop effect and quilted lining. Sell at \$5. To close..... **\$5.00**
LOT OF 50 FINE CLOTH COATS, 6 to 12 years; heavy cloth and lined throughout. Value, \$7. For this sale at..... **\$4.75**
CHOICE OF ANY CHILD'S DRESS SELLING at \$1; in sizes 4 to 14 years; many styles. For this sale they are reduced to..... **89c**

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at Your Own Price!

39c Games, Animals, Iron Toys, Tool Chests, Wagons, Toy Furniture, Blocks, Dishes.
Worth up to 75c.

Sacrifice Prices on FURNISHINGS.

102 PIECES MEN'S SILK NECK- wear, sold at 25c..... **12½c**
7 MEN'S FINE TERRY CLOTH Bath Robes, sold at \$4..... **\$2.45**
21 PAIRS MEN'S SILK SUSPEND- ers, sold at 50c. Now..... **25c**
21 BOYS' WORSTED SWEATERS, sold up to \$1.50. To close..... **89c**
34 PAIRS MEN'S FINE SILK HOSE, sold up to 75c. To close..... **39c**
87 WOMEN'S HANDKERCHIEFS, folded and plain; sell up to 10c..... **3½c**

at Your Own Price!

Animals, Soldiers, Games, Doll Houses, Dishes, Drums, Toy Furniture, Iron Wagons, Kitchens.

73c Worth up to \$1.50.

102 PIECES MEN'S SILK NECK- wear, sold up to 50c..... **25c**
14 MEN'S SMOKING JACKETS, sold up to \$9..... **\$3.98**
16 MEN'S WOOL SWEATERS, sold up to \$2.50. To close..... **\$1.29**
126 MEN'S FINE PERCALE SHIRTS, sold at \$1 always..... **69c**
71 PAIRS WOMEN'S BLACK HOSE, gauze and medium weight; sell at 25c..... **14c**
CHILDREN'S HANDKERCHIEFS, SOLD usually at 5c..... **1c**

In the Grocery Department.

Choice lean Sugar-cured Hams, pound..... **17c**
Boneless Bacon..... **22c**
Van Camp's Milk, tall cans..... **10c**
Quaker Oats, large package..... **8c**
Tomatoes..... **7½c**
Peas..... **8c**
Corn..... **7½c**
Columbus Peaches..... **17c**
Campbell's Catsup..... **8c**
Wilbur's Chocolate, ½ lb..... **15c**
Salt, large sacks..... **17½c**
Macaroni, 1 lb..... **6½c**
Sage and Thyme..... **5c**
Figs, wooden boxes..... **7½c**
English Walnuts, 1 lb..... **15c**
English Walnuts, 7 lbs..... **\$1.00**
Mixed Candy, all kinds..... **7½c**
Bonbons, 1 lb. box..... **15c**

Fruit and Pound Cake.
Two to six pounds each—delicious and all pure ingredients guaranteed—per pound..... **16c**

WHERE LUTHER HID

Wartburg Castle Scene Also of Minnesingers' Contests.

IMPREGNABLE TO ATTACK

Nearby Is Venus Grotto of Tannhauser Legend.

BUILT ON CREST OF CRAG

Here Great Reformer Threw His Inkstand at the Devil—Story of Lewis "the Springer."

BY WILLIAM E. CURTIS.

Written for The Star and the Chicago Record-Herald.

Wartburg Castle, owned and sometimes occupied by the Grand Duke of Saxony, occupies the crest of a crag rising from the Thuringian forest, overlooking the busy little city of Eisenach.

It looks as if it grew out of the rocks and was really a part of the mountain. It has special interest for everybody, not

only by reason of its antiquity, but because of its association with Martin Luther and the opera of Tannhauser.

The castle is reached from Eisenach by two roads—one for carriages, which zig-zags up through a dense growth of trees, and by a broad footpath which is much shorter and leads over a bridge and several rocky cliffs. An automobile can go three-fourths of the way to the top of the hill, where a shelf has been shoveled out for the accommodation of carriages.

From there everybody has to walk, but the ascent is not difficult.

A little farther up, on a promontory projecting from the hill, is a well arranged and well kept restaurant, with three or four bedrooms where visitors can pass the night if they choose to do so. There is a staff for the sale of post cards, photographs and curios, and a tiny little post office.

The castle is in charge of Maj. Cranach, a retired officer of the German army, and a descendant of Louis Cranach, a celebrated artist of Weimar and Wittenburg, and an intimate friend of Martin Luther.

Castle Was Impregnable.

The castle is a long building with a tall, square, Romanesque tower, surmounted by a cross. On the outside wall is a distance, which commands a superb view of the country around.

The walls spring from the rim of a perpendicular precipice more than a hundred feet high, which made the fortress impregnable in feudal times.

The castle, which stands 1,200 feet above the sea and 624 feet above the town of Eisenach, was begun in the year 1067, by Count Ludwig II. called "the Springer," and was completed thirty years later.

The name is derived from an ejaculation of that romantic character, who, in pursuit of a stag, happened to reach the top of the hill upon which it is perched, was so impressed with the beauty of the view spread out before him that he exclaimed:

"Wartburg, du solist mir eine berg werden!" (Wait, mountain, thou shalt to me a castle become).

The walls are as firm, the roof as secure, the arches as perfect and the masonry as solid as they were 840 years ago. It will challenge time and decay for another 800 years.

It has been the home of more than twenty generations of the same family. It has been the scene of much history. It has been besieged twelve times and was never taken.

It is one of the most perfect, as it is one of the most picturesque and typical monuments of feudal power and glory, in

existence, and an imperishable relic of medieval magnificence.

Murder for Love.

Lewis "the Springer" murdered the Count Palatine Frederick III of Halle, while hunting, in order that he might marry the beautiful Adelaide, wife of his victim. For this base act he was thrown into the prison of the castle at Halle, from which he escaped by a bold spring into the River Saale, when he derived his name.

After him came Ludwig of the Iron Hand, who is the hero of many stirring stories; then Ludwig the Gentle, whose winning tongue, sweet address and noble manners made him famous over all Europe. The mournful legend is one of the most popular in German literature, and has been told in many poems as well as in the Wagner opera.

Grotto of Venus.

We drove from Eisenach one morning to the grotto. It lies three or four miles off the main road to Gotha, in a long, deeply furrowed ridge, called the Horesberg, which runs parallel with the River Horesel. That stream has been canalized by the government of Saxony, and is used for the transportation of heavy freight.

Crossing the river, we passed through the banyard of a farmhouse and persuaded a yokel, who was unloading hay, to guide us to the ravine. He refused to enter the automobile. He told us frankly that he was afraid to ride in such machines and preferred his own feet for transportation purposes.

He led us through field after field and meadow after meadow, constantly rising towards the crest of the ridge, until we reached a dense grove of glorious beech trees. There we had to leave the machine, while we climbed up a rocky pathway on one wall of the ravine to the famous grotto of the legend.

There is a cool spring around which the goddess Venus and her nymphs used to dance. There, I suppose, they performed the rites of the goddess of love for Tannhauser. The place looks much like the scenery in the opera.

But the women who were making hay in the neighboring meadow did not bear the slightest resemblance to Venus or other characters of the east, and wore clothing of an entirely different pattern and texture. I suppose the fashions have changed since Tannhauser's day.

Home of St. Elizabeth.

Wartburg Castle is also famous as the home of St. Elizabeth, daughter of King Andreas II of Hungary, and wife of the landgrave who ruled there from 1207 to

1231. She was canonized because of her great piety and good works.

The principal incidents of her life and her "Seven Works of Mercy" are illustrated in a series of frescos in the banqueting hall, now known as the Elizabeth gallery.

What is still more interesting to the general public is the quarters occupied by Martin Luther from the 4th of May, 1521, to the 6th of May, 1522, after his mysterious disappearance while returning from the diet at Worms.

The castle is entered through an archway that places the tower, the most picturesque and ancient part of the building. It is called the Mittelburg, and was used for the accommodation of the soldiers of the garrison, as a stable for the chargers of the knights, and the teams that were used to haul fuel and other supplies up the hill.

Passing through another archway and over a drawbridge, the ritterhaus, or quarters of the knights, is reached. It is a lovely bit of vine-clad masonry with windows of stained glass, quaint gables and roofs of red tiles. Passing through a broad corridor you enter the ritterkammer, or armory, filled with weapons, coats of mail, other implements of war of the twelfth to the seventeenth centuries. It is a large and admirable collection made by the dukes of Saxony-Weimar.

Nearly all the armor and weapons have been worn by his followers during the centuries. The names of the knights who wore them are attached to many objects.

Climbing a narrow, winding staircase in the ritterhaus, you enter a large and well lighted room in which Luther spent nearly a year under the protection of his friend, the Elector Frederick of Saxony. He was a voluntary prisoner. Not more than a dozen persons knew his whereabouts.

Reasons for Abduction.

The abduction of Luther was a diplomatic move of the elector to avoid the necessity of arresting him and turning him over to the church.

He had obtained from Emperor Charles V a safe conduct which was good until Luther's return to Wittenburg, but no longer. Hence it was necessary to take radical measures to place the offender beyond his jurisdiction.

He instructed the governor of the castle to kidnap the monk and keep him within its walls until the excitement was over. The plot was carried out promptly and successfully.

Luther's frock and cowl were taken away from him. He was furnished with the conventional garb of a knight. He let his beard grow and took his place with the other knights attached to the castle under the name of Hutter George.

He spent most of his time, however, in translating the Bible into German and finished the New Testament before he left Wartburg. The Old Testament was completed two years later, after he resumed his cell in the Augustinian convent at Wittenburg.

Conceded His Whereabouts.

During his residence at Wartburg he communicated regularly with Melancthon and other friends by letter. During his absence from the "Regions of the Air," "The Home of the Birds," "My Hermitage," "The Isle of Patmos," etc., he did not reveal his whereabouts.

On one occasion, about six months after his disappearance, he rode on horseback to Wittenburg in the costume of a knight to settle a quarrel that had broken out among his followers. His movements were so skillfully managed that even they did not know where he came from.

Luther's room contains the same old stove that heated it during the winter he spent there, the table upon which he wrote, a chest containing books used by him, the miners' lamp used by his father and the money box which, when a school boy, he had carried from house to house in Eisenach, begging alms. A joint of the vertebra of a whale, brought to the castle long before he appeared there, was used by him as a footstool.

A framed photograph letter addressed to the governor of the castle hangs on the wall, and a portrait by Cranach the Elder.

The chapel of the castle is a small, gloomy room, with heavy columns and a vaulted roof. The stained glass in the windows, however, is brilliant and beautiful, and there are some fine old carvings. The altar at which Luther ministered and the pulpit from which he preached regularly during his stay at the castle still remain.

Threw Inkstand at Devil.

It was in his study in the Ritterhaus, according to a popular legend, that Luther threw his ink stand at the devil. This incident has been frequently denied, but is entirely probable.

During his detention at the castle his mind was perplexed with theological problems, and doubts as to the wisdom and justice of his acts. He was often tempted to recant and spent long hours in prayer for divine guidance.

One of these fits of despondency, which was almost hysteria, he fancied that he saw the figure of the evil one standing by the fireplace. Seizing the inkstand upon his desk, he hurled it with all his strength at the intruder.

The missile struck the wainscoting beside the fireplace, and the fragments of glass fell upon the hearth. The ink was splattered over the surface of the oak panels, which have since been dug out by



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decorated and furnished in 1867. It is open to the public, and is visited by multitudes of people.

The manager of the hotel where was stopped told me that not less than 60,000 people passed under the archway every year. If each of them paid a mark, as Freidrich, that means an annual revenue of \$150,000, which is more than enough to keep the palace in order.

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The dedication says that the purpose of the duke in preparing the volume was "to present a faithful picture of one of the most glorious feudal homes of the twelfth century, when it was occupied by the art-loving landgraves, and was the scene of the contests of the great Martin Luther, at the beginning of the fourteenth century, found an asylum, where the mighty struggle for religious liberty took its rise."

The courtyard of the castle is a narrow triangle. The Romanesque landgrafen-house, or apartments of the landgrave, extends along one side of the crest of the hill on which it stands.

The other side is open and guarded by a low wall, and commands a wide view of the Thuringian forest, as far as the eye can reach. It was this view which inspired Ludwig to erect his fortress. A cottage for the governor, erected within the last half century takes up a good deal of space.

The interior of the castle was restored to its original shape and appropriately

silvered and carried away as souvenirs. The panel has never been replaced, but remains as the vandals left it. The hole, as large as a hat, looks as if it had been gnawed by the teeth of an animal.

The bed which Luther occupied, the chair in which he sat, his footstool, bookcase, wardrobe and washstand were all carefully preserved by his friend, Frederick the Wise, and remain as they were when he was the mysterious guest of the elector.

View of Thuringian Forest.

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